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PROCEEDINGS
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Sixty Fourth Annual Session
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**HARMONY BAPTIST
ASSOCIATION**
— HELD WITH —
**Thomastown Baptist Church
Leake County
OCT. 24, 25, 26, 1913**

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NEXT PLACE OF MEETING—Rocky Point church
Leake County, 14 miles south of Kosciusko, on Friday
before fourth Sunday in October, 1914.

T. G. WARD, Mod.

P. C. Barnett, Clerk.

Proceedings

The Harmony Baptist Association met in her sixty fourth Annual session with Thomastown Baptist church Oct. 24 1913. After singing How firm a foundation. The moderator requested P. C. Barnett to read first chapter of Eph. and the Body was led in prayer by Rev. John Thompson.

After which the moderator called the body to business. And appointed the following committees.

Credentials—Clem Barret, W. L. Pearson and Caidus Cox.

Finance—Gray Williams, Will Davis and Jno. Dorrill.

On motion of Rev. G. W. Nutt. The Brethern were put on honor and the body proceeded to organize.

On motion of Rev. G. W. Nutt, the rules of the order were suspended, and Rev. Jno. Thompson, was asked to cast a vote of the body, for Rev. T. G. Ward for Moderator, and Rev. P. C. Barnett for Clerk.

Petitionary letters called for, none presented. Call for Fraternal Correspondence, Yazoo Association, Rev. J. T. Ellis.

Home Mission Board—T. G. Ward vice pres. for Harmony Association.

Kosciusko Association—Rev. J. B. Perry, Charley Pinkard, A. F. Jenkins, Marion Ellington, W. G. McMillan. Return CorreSpondence. Resolved, that any member of a church belonging to this Association be authorized to represent this Association in any body of Baptist.

The hour having arrived the Introductory sermon was preached by the appointee Rev. G. W. Nutt, from Jude, 3.

On motion the Body took a recess of one hour and fifteen minutes for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION

After singing, Blessed Assurance, Rev. G. W. Nutt led in prayer.

On motion the order of Business was given to the Moderator.

Ten o'clock Saturday was set for reports on Missions.

On motion it was agreed to reduce the price of the histories of Harmony Association to ten cents.

The Report on Christian Education was read by Dr. J. W. W. Lyle. Spoken to by brethren Dr. J. W. W. Lyle, Rev. B. F. Odum, Rev. T. G. Ward and Rev. J. B. Perry, and adopted.

Report of Christian Education

"Go ye therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and lo I am with you always even unto the end of the world; Matthew 28: 19-20. We cannot carry out the above command intelligently unless we are first taught. And the best places to be taught are in our denominational schools. In this day of specializing, there are schools for preparing people for every business of life, therefore the necessity of making special preparation for the business of our Master. And in a scriptural church like the Missionary Baptist, where the humblest member

nas as much voice and as big a vote as the biggest member, it is advisable to have the laity as well as the preachers educated that they may intelligently carry on the Masters business. And we have several schools prepared to give these instructions. Miss. College, at Clinton, Clark Mem. at Newton and a school for girls at Hattiesburg. Also some schools owned by private parties though strictly denominational and deserves our support. In Clinton and Newton are a number of young preachers who need assistance and we can honor our Lord by helping them.

Respt. submitted.

Dr. J. W. W. Lyle, Char.

The Report on Publication was read by. Rev. Jno. Thompson. Spoken to by, Rev. Jno. Thompson and Rev. T. G. Ward and adopted.

Report on Publication

We read, we read because of the thousands upon thousands of publications that are so easily accessible to us and we to them. Perhaps it is true that the papers and books that we read are good and if so the more fortunate it is for us for undoubtedly the publications that we assimilate will bring forth fruit in our life in like manner of which they are and of which we shall be proud. But if these publications be not good then it is unfortunate not only for us but for all under our care and all whom we come in contact with. In order to lie on the safe side and in the right concerning our reading, let God's people especially, and every other person also set their seal to this resolution, first, I will read the Bible and because of its precious truths I will study the Bible that in all my life it may be to me the man of my counsel in all things. This done, your Committee would

suggest as enlarged ideas and helps to the understanding of the Bible in connection with your Sunday School relationship, our Sunday School literature published in Nashville, Tenn., which in many, many, instances is not equaled and not at all surpassed for truth and price. If you would know something of or learn more about the wonderful institution that we have at Jackson, Miss., the Orphanage, the blessing that it has been, the blessing that it has been, the blessing that it is, and the blessing that it will be to hundreds and thousands of unfortunate children, then send to this Orphanage twenty-five cents for the Orphanage Gem, from which you will get the Heavenly Vision of living for others as well as for yourself. The Baptist Record, the accredited organ of our State Convention, published in Jackson, Miss., is the best paper that your committee knows of for Mississippi Baptists. It is the great weekly Mississippi Baptist letter from all parts of the State, telling us for about four cents per week what the vast army of one hundred and fifty thousand Baptists are doing in the interest of the visible Kingdom of Jesus Christ. Besides this, in its columns are found from week to week, articles and editorials that commend themselves to the soul that is born anew and from death to life has passed, as also, sketches of news from the utmost parts of the earth. Brethern, you and I can live without the Baptist Record, and we can die without the Baptist Record, and yet, as good Baptists we need the information that the Baptist Record dispenses week by week through the whole year for the small sum of \$2.00. Let therefore the Baptist Record come into your heart and you will let it come into your home and you will enjoy its weekly visits. In Atlanta, Ga., is published the Home Field, which is the publication of our Home Mission Board, that is doing such a mighty work in the bounds of the Southern Baptist Convention, and some of the island of

the sea. It becomes us as Baptists especially, that we should be well acquainted with this work that we might enter into it another year in an enlarged spirit of Christian love and good works in the interest of our beloved south land and to the glory of Jesus Christ. To do this intelligently we must take and read the Home Field, the only cost of which is twenty-five cents per year for twelve copies that are well worth four times the subscription price to any Baptist or to any Baptist Home. I plead with our brethren to make a sacrifice in the interest of their needs along intellectual lines to their growth in the things of the Masters Kingdom. Now last but not least is the Foreign Mission Journal, published by the Foreign Mission Board, Richmond, Va. This also is a monthly publication that in clubs of ten is sent out at the small subscription price of twenty five cents per year. This Journal like others is the great looked-for letter from all the stations and Missionaries of our Foreign Mission work. As a denomination in the light of God's word we are at a great disadvantage in not being abreast with the times and opportunities of this age concerning foreign mission work. It is therefore only reasonable that we should wake up to these opportunities by informing ourselves with the general progress that foreign mission work is making, the God-given blessings it is receiving and the thousands of souls that are being saved from year to year. If our ideas are not correct about foreign mission work subscribe for the Foreign Mission Journal and all the time we will get the true statements of the work as it is.

In conclusion, why specify these publications and not mention other Baptist publication? Our answer is that these six publications, beginning with the Bible are closest to us and have a greater claim upon us from a denominational consideration, therefore if we will read

and study them as closely as opportunity affords, we will not only be the true regenerate Child of God that his grace has made us, but we will be the intelligent Baptist that we ought to be, and in perfect harmony with every object fostered by baptists from one organization.

Jno. Thompson.

The Moderator appointed Rev. B. F. Odom to write a report on prohibition in lieu of Rev. A. M. Langston. And Bro. J. B. Fulton to write a report on Orphanage in lieu of Rev. G. N. Dorrill. And Rev. G. W. Newton was appointed to write a report on woman's work in lieu of Mrs. L. F. Ferguson. Sunday 10 a. m. was set for report on Sunday Schools.

On motion the body adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

SECOND DAY

Nine o'clock a. m. after devotional services conducted by Rev. J. T. Ellis the body was called to order by the Moderator.

On motion the reports on Missions were postponed until after dinner. The report on Orphanage was read by Bro. J. B. Fulton and spoken to by Bro. J. B. Fulton and Rev. Jno. Thompson and adopted.

Report on Baptist Orphanage

We have for consideration the home for Orphan Children located at the State Capital: We know of no work that is more noble than to assist with our money

in the support of this grand institution established some years ago under the guidance of the wisdom of God. We believe and urge our Baptist people that it is our duty to help to support the orphans at Jackson with our means and influences. What would become of them were it not for the home. Orphan Children thrown out on the cold charities of the world to grow up in ignorance in gambling shops, and all manner of law dives, possibly half clothed and not fed: Brethern and friends let us all wake up to a sense of our duty, and see that none of our poor orphan children are thus neglected but see to it that they will be put in the home where they will get the necessary training to make them useful men and women.

Respectfully your Com.

The Report on Prohibition was read by Rev. B. F. Odum spoken to by Rev. B. F. Odum, Rev. G. W. Nutt, J. B. Fulton, E. D. Roberts, Eli Douglas, J. B. Perry, N. F. Wallace, Jno. Thompson and adopted.

Report on Prohibition

Prohibition in its true sense is one of the greatest questions that confront our people today, because of its effects upon the life and interest upon every walk of life socially, morally and religiously. The influence of the liquor traffic is wrecking the lives of the fathers and sons and rending the heart strains of our wives and mothers of our land, bringing them into subjection, filling the asylum, jails and penitentiary and orphan's homes, in face of these burning facts. How can we as Baptist People, who claim that we have been saved by God's grace approve or even keep silent and not raise our voice against such a beast, that is roving about

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seeking as a prey the manhood of our country.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. Odom.

Adjourned one hour and thirty minutes for dinner.

Afternoon Second Day

Two o'clock p. m. after singing Nearer My God To Thee. The Body was led in prayer by Rev. B. F. Odom. Rev. G. W. Nutt having forgotten to bring his report on Home Mission. And Rev. A. M. Barnett having failed to get his report on Foreign Missions to the Association.

On motion Both brethren were asked to send their reports to the clerk for publication.

The Report on State Missions was read by P. C. Barnett. All the reports spoken to by brethren P. C. Barnett, Rev. J. C. Parker, Rev. J. B. Perry and Rev. Jno. Thompson and all adopted.

Report on State

It has been repeatedly said and the statement is true, that State Missions correspond to Judia in our Lord's day. State Missions work as it is now managed, has done a glorious work in spreading the gospel, in the destitute places in our state, and in aiding weak churches to become strong. Many churches would not to day exist had it not been for State Mission. State Missions has lent a helping hand to many churches, both in country village and town, to sustain a pastor, to build houses, to promote Sunday School interest, without partiality to persons or places. We sympathize with

our Board because of the many unfair things that are said about them, either through envy or ignorance.

But brethren State Missions in Harmony Association, is that part of the work that should interest us. If you will turn to the financial and statistical tables of last year and note the large number of churches, that gave almost nothing to Missions. It will be alarming to a missionary heart.

Why the cause of this state of affairs and who is responsible. Because the people has not been informed as to the work of state missions, the needs of the Board and their obligation to sustain it. And the Pastors are largely if not altogether responsible. What remedy will meet the needs of the case?

We recommend, that every pastor be urged to supply himself with enough of the State Missions leaflets

And then we recommend that this body adopt a basis from which our Ex. Com. should recommend churches to the State Board for help.

And then we recommend that a Missionary be employed by the body for one half time or one fourth time to labor among the unenlisted churches with the view of bringing about a better co-operation along the line of missions. Your Com. believes it would be a wise investment besides the blessings it would bring to the churches in a spiritual way.

P. C. Barnett.

Report on Home Mission

The founders of the Republic desired that this should be a Christian nation. They set forth their ideas in many of the earlier State papers. They refused to

bolster up religious institutions by the State patronage.

History has justified thier wisdom. The oppressed of every nation today look to America to show the way to better things. We have tried and know of a truth that "Righteousness exalteth a nation." But our best efforts have been imperfect; we also know that "sin is a reproach to a nation." Of 94,000,000 people in America only about 21,000,000 are members of any evangelical religious body. Of 31,000,000 people in the Southern Baptist Convention territory fewer than 11,000,000 are members of evangelical bodies.

There remains a large task of pioneer mission work in our territory. After all the successful efforts of Home and State Missions, scores of communicaties in many States do not hear the gospel message. There has come about in addition a pioneer work of a new kind. It has to be found in the slums of the cities and sometimes along the fashionable boulevards. With the old task unfinished, many new ones are being added that are more difficult.

Southern Baptists are confronted by an immense vitalization task. Thousands of churches without resident pastors, with only once-a-month preaching, are finding themselves inadequately taught and trained to meet the pressing needs of today. "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you," we are beginning to see, is as truly a part of the Commission of our Lord as is evangelizing the lost. Our Home Board is undertaking to help is this great work for the enlistment and strengthening of our undeveloped churches. To strengthen our Board in this work is to strengthen everything for which Baptists stand.

Three thousand unhoused churches in our Convention territory, with thousands of others in buildings

that are not adequate to their needs, mutely appeal for a large and hearty support to the Home Board in raising the Million Dollar Church Building Loan Fund.

In the Southwest, in Cuba and Panama, among the Southern mountains, in destitute city places and in needy rural districts throughout the South, among the Indians and Negroes and the foreigners, through evangelism, church building work and enlistment endeavor, our Home Mission Board is today doing the greatest work of all of its fruitful history.

With all of these tasks pressing for vigorous, capable attention, our board stands in the front ranks of those agencies of our Baptist body through which we seek to keep inviolate in a day of testing, the great Baptist principle of loyalty to Christ and the teachings of his Word. There is danger that new and increasing Southern wealth shall lead men to drown the voice of spiritual appeal in the noise of the marketplace. There is a danger, now that the world has become a single community, that we shall love humanity in the abstract and forget to love our neighbors in their own persons — those who live with us and who are the inescapable test of the reality of our love for men. There is danger that hasty effort on the part of some of our churches to adjust themselves to new and involved social service requirements, may betray us into a wrong emphasis. There is danger that the quality of our impact upon society may be impaired by confusing the "goodly pearls" of social efficiency and human fraternity with "the Pearl of Great Price." Christianity means better living conditions among men, but the supreme business of the churches is to produce these better conditions by producing better men and women.

The Home Mission Board apportionment for the whole South is this year \$431,750. The apportionment

for our State is \$ _____, that for our Association is \$ _____. Every dollar of the apportionment will be needed, if the Board is to provide for even the most urgent necessities in the various departments of its work.

1. We recommend that the amount for our Association be apportioned among the churches and each church requested to raise its entire amount.

2. That pastors and workers urge churches to subscribe for The Home Field, the monthly Home Mission magazine, and to make the largest use of the excellent Home Mission tracts, which are free on application.

3. That our churches remember Home Missions during the year and give with more regularity to meet the constant needs of the Board.

4. That earnest prayer be made for the cause of Home Missions in all the churches and that our pastors be requested to preach on this subject, as often as practicable.

The address of the Home Mission Board is Third National Bank Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

Faternally submitted,

The Report on Baptist Hospital was read by Dr. J. W. W. Lyle spoken to by Rev. J. C. Parker. Pending the adoption of the report a cash collection was taken for Hospital amounting to \$10 00. Adopted.

Report on Baptist Hospital

In all the accounts of Christs work, healing the infirm bears a conspicuous part. Even when Johns disciples asked him if he was the one that should come

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in Christ, he told them to show John was that the lame
yewalked the sick were healed and that the blind saw.

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Now we are awaking to the fact that we should
imitate His example by carrying for and healing the
physical man and thereby getting a hold on him that we
may assist the operation of the Holy Spirit in healing
the spiritual man.

We are interested in two institutions engaged in
this healing work: the tri state hospital of Memphis
and the Baptist Hospital of Jackson. It is the latter
that we are particularly interested in at the present,
and that needs our immediate financial support. The
present wooden structure proved too small almost from
the start. So the State Convention planned a campaign
to secure \$50,000.00 to build a brick structure with a
capacity in proportion to our needs. Work has already
commenced on the foundation for the new building and
the commission needs funds to push the work to a
speedy completion that we may better care for more
patients and get in more work for our Lord and Master.

Respt. Sub.

Dr. J. W. W. Lyle, Chairman.

Report on Querries and request was read by, C. A.
Cox, and amended so as to read. Rocky Point instead
of Good Hope, M. Adopted.

Report on Querries and Requests

Your Committee on Querries and Request find the
following churches asking to be helping by State Board,
Pleasant Grove, p. s. \$30.00; Freeny, p. s. \$25.00; Da-
mascus, p. s. \$30.00; Pleasant Hill, \$25.00; Wake For-

est, \$35.00. for building and repairing. Springfield, Camden, Good Hope M. and Rocky Point ask for the next meeting of the Association. We recommend Good Hope M.

Respt.
C. A. Cox.

The Report on Nominations was read by Bro. E. D. Roberts. and adopted.

Report on Nominations

We recommend that Bro. John Thompson be appointed to preach the introductory sermon with Bro. P. C. Barnett alternate.

We recommend that each church appoint an additional delegate to constitute the Executive Board together with the following: Good Hope M., C. A. Cox, Center Hill, J. B. Fulton, Rocky Point E. S. Douglas, Freeny, James Finklea, New Providence, W. L. Pearson, Tuscola, R. L. Denson, Mt. Carmel, Y. A. Ward, Cross Roads, C. C. Anderson, Cedar Grove, Jno. Watkins, Walnut Grove. L. A. McKee, Mt. Zion, J. L. Brantly, Salem, John Dorrill, Reformation, B. E. Kemp, Midway, A. C. Thornton, Pleasant Hill, Lonnie Curry, Laurel Hill, G. W. Sikes, New Hope, Floyd Young, Wake Forest, John Moore, Camden, Henry Gober, Carthage, J. L. McMillon, Plymouth, E. N. Risher, Springfield, F. M. Savell, Thomastown, J. D. Ellington, Damascus, Felix Rushing

We recommend that the next meeting of Board meet with Center Hill church.

Respectfully submitted,
E. D. Roberts.

The Committee on Devotional Exercises reported. Rev. Jno. Thompson to preach at 11 a. m. tomorrow in the house and Rev. J. T. Ellis in the grove.

The report on sustentation was read by Rev. J. B. Anderson spoken to by Rev. J. B. Anderson and Rev. Jno. Thompson and adopted.

Report on Sustentation

This department of our work concentrates itself upon the needs of the aged ministers of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, who in their lives under many, many hardship and extreme trials have preached the everlasting Gospel of the blessed God, to the sacrifice of abundant pleasures that they might have otherwise enjoyed, even to that of having like other brethren, a sufficiency to sustain them in their declining old age. But, sad as it may seem to be these dear old Servants of the Lord are found to be largely without these pleasures, therefore are dependent upon the more able and vigorous members of our constituency for these things if life must end with them as even we would desire. Therefore we your committee must earnestly recommend that the churches of this. Also, make this important responsibility a greater consideration in the future than in the past and that at stated times convenient to the churches they make contributions to the needs of these old soldiers of the cross who brought the Gospel of Jesus Christ unto us.

Respectfully submitted,
J. B. Anderson.

The following named brethren were appointed as Executive Committee for 1914, to-wit: N. F. Wallace,

Chairman, Y. A. Ward, E. D. Roberts, J. T. Nutt, B. V. Evans.

Adjourned until 9 a. m. tomorrow.

THIRD DAY

Sunday, 9 a. m. After Devotional services conducted by Rev. J. B. Anderson, the body was called to order by the Moderator.

On motion the first board meeting was set, for Friday before fifth Sunday in March 1914.

The report on Obituaries was read by Rev. G. W. Nutt and clerk asked to furnish a list of our dead. Adopted.

Report on Obituaries

Brethren it has been the pleasures of our heavenly father to remove from our midst 18 of our No. during the past year. Among those who have crossed over the river one of our consecrated ministers (vis) Bro. W. O. Owens. This reminds us brethren that we should work while it is a for the night cometh when no man can work.

Respectfully submitted,
G. W. Nutt.

The Report on womans work was read by Rev. G. W. Nutt, spoken to by Rev. G. W. Nutt, and Rev. J. T. Ellis and adopted.

Report on Womans Work

Much has been said and written about wo

work, but very little encouragement has been offered by our pastors in Harmony Association along this line of advancing the Kingdom of Christ. The women of our Southern Baptist Convention are doing a large percent of our mission work through their missionary union and aid societies, as our Lord said on the occasion, "She has done what she could." They are interested in the success of all the departments of our mission work, from Jerusalem to the uttermost parts of the earth. They help to build churches, pay pastors salary, send boxes, contribute to our orphanage, hospital work and christian education. Surely brethern such a noble band of christian workers deserve our hearty co-operation, we pastors in our association should feel that it is our special duty to lend every assistance to organize our women in our association, that they may do what their hands find do in the great work of our Lord.

Respectfully submitted.

G. W. Nutt.

The Report on Sunday Schools was read by Bro. N. F. Wallace spoken to by Breth. N. F. Wallace and E. D. Roberts and adopted.

Report of Sunday Schools

We, the committee on Sunday Schools of the Harmony Association beg leave to report as follows, to-wit:

There seems to be no way to get any information, in so far as the association is concerned, except the letters from the different churches, and we will have to say that many of the churches do not give us any information as to the condition of the Sunday Schools at their churches. It seems to be true that in many places

the Sunday Schools are not under the control of the church, but have schools of the several denominations or of denomination. We think it would be well for each Baptist church to have a Sunday School, and the members of the church and the pastor should make some effort to bring this about.

We believe that the Sunday School is a very important work for the church, and we further believe that the churches of the Harmony Association are neglecting this work, thereby failing to teach the Bible, and we find that many of our members, and Christian members at that, are not well versed in the teachings of our blessed Savior. Your committee repeats what the committee reported last year, that too many of us look at the Sunday Schools as a place to hatch out believers, when in fact that is not the purpose of the school at all. The Sunday School should teach all kinds of people, but the main thing is to teach the followers of Christ the blessed word of their Father and Redeemer.

We recommend that this association do not merely have this letter read and approved, but that a free and full discussion of the Sunday Schools of the Association be had by this body, and see if something can be done. If the Sunday School is not worth the while let this association speak out, and go on record to the world. We spend hours discussing other works of the church and this is well, but it does seem that the Sunday School is neglected. Your committee regrets this.

We do not learn of any efforts in the way of institutes or schools for the benefit of teachers have been reported. We recommend that something be done to improve the teachers in this association.

We have our schools to educate and train the ministry, and this is well, but those who have charge

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teaching the Bible in the Sunday Schools are such as will do the work regardless of the preparation and qualification.

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We as Baptist people claim we have the truth and your committee believes this, and our preachers as a rule, are preaching it, but the question is, are the teachers teaching the blessed truth? We fear not in many cases.

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We recommend that we wake up this work, and remember when you are awake you have a greater responsibility than when you are asleep.

Respectfully submitted,

N. F. Wallace, Committee.

Report on Foreign Mission

Our Foreign Missions Board reports a year of success and great progress on our foreign fields. A note of confidence and triumph runs through the reports of the missionaries. The only exception is Mexico, where the unsettled conditions have hindered the work. In Brazil and China, the success of the work is great and the opportunities are marvelous. In Italy and Japan the long siege is beginning to tell and the outlook brightens. In Argentina and Africa the success of our workers is gratifying. From all around the world the call of God voiced in the progress of the work and its large needs bids us go forward.

A brief glance at what has been the effect of foreign mission work upon our people at home affords encouragement. The Board in its report to the Convention, speaking of "What Foreign Missions Has Done For Us," says:

E: "It has caused us to look after education here in

the home land. Simply read the life of Luther Rice and what followed therefrom, and we can easily see how our people were brought to undertake educational enterprises as they had never done before. They were made to see the necessity of training their sons and daughters for Christian service, and to a great extent our deep interest in education dated from Luther Rice's return from India.

The Baptists were awakened to the world-wide responsibilities and at the same time to the great opportunities and obligations which were before them in the home land. By the mission work they were drawn together, and they received a new conception of unity among them in associations, conventions and other meetings. The mission work brought them to greater liberality and they have grown in the grace of giving. This has been a great blessing to our people. They have come to deeper spirituality. In reaching after souls the Lord's Spirit has moved with greater power among us. In the performance of duty, trying to save men on the other side of the world, we have found that the Saviour has drawn closer to us. He has manifested Himself to our people.

Surely we ought to rejoice in a work which brings to us the blessings of larger vision, better education, union, activity, liberality, spirituality and which helps to save not only the uttermost parts of the earth, but us and our children from selfishness and sordidness. The prosecution of world-wide missions brings the richest blessings, and of these none is greater than the abiding presence of our Lord."

Another helpful feature of the work is a contrast between the statistics of our work twenty years ago and those of today. The report says :

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"The great development of our work in recent years creates a heavy demand which should be met by us. Let us here make a brief comparison with our work as reported twenty years ago and this year. Then we had no medical missionary, only a native physician on the foreign field. This year we have thirteen medical missionaries, seven hospitals, nine dispensaries and our workers report 65,333 people treated. Then we had 16 schools with 598 scholars. This year we report 266 schools with 7,481 scholars. These include ten theological seminaries with 222 students and eight women's training schools with 191 scholars. In 1893 we had no regular publishing plants. Now we have publishing plants and book houses that are turning out millions of pages of books, tracts, Bibles, etc. Then we had 177 missionaries and native workers on the field; now we have 849. That year there were reported 383 baptisms and a total membership in our churches on the fields of 2,923; this year 4,532 baptisms and a membership of 27,545. That year the missionaries reported \$5,368.42 as contributed on the foreign fields; this year the missionaries report \$89,483.70. All of this goes to show that we have left the day of small things and must come up to the great opportunities and responsibilities which God has placed upon us.

When we look back over our receipts for a few years we see how wonderfully God has blessed us. In 1873 the Convention for the first time had its contributions to go beyond \$50,000. Then in 1890 there was rejoicing when the receipts went beyond \$100,000. In 1903 we went beyond \$200,000. In 1907 we first went beyond \$400,000 and in 1912 beyond \$580,000. In the meantime great advance has been made in the work on the foreign fields. We have about \$900,000 in equipment in our different foreign stations. This consists of churches, schools, hospitals, publishing plants and

homes for missionaries.

We hope and believe that in twenty years more what we are doing today will appear small in proportion to what will be done then. Both individuals and churches will be giving enough to support a whole station."

During last year seventeen new missionaries were sent out and eight others are under appointment. This makes a total missionary force of 285 missionaries, who are assisted by 569 native workers. The number of baptisms for this year (4,532) is the largest in the history of our foreign mission work.

The report of the Board shows that our people are taking great interest in the Judson Centennial Equipment Fund. While the first year was largely one of preparation, the report shows that the sum of \$251,781 was raised in cash and pledges. This special fund of one and a quarter million dollars for educational and general equipment purposes in foreign lands is to be used in building churches, missionary homes, hospitals, schools and publishing plants. This fund is to be distinct from and in addition to the regular annual income of the Foreign Mission Board.

The total contributions reported at the last Southern Baptist Convention amounted to \$543,446. For this year the Southern Baptist Convention has asked that the churches raise \$646,500 for foreign missions. It will take all of this amount to maintain the work, pay off past obligations and make such advance that the Board can send out a few missionaries to points where it is absolutely necessary to have reinforcements. The Convention also asked that each State raise a definite part of this amount and the money requested from each State has been carefully divided up among the various

associations, and this association has been asked to
Rev. _____ It is of the utmost importance that
the _____ all the associations undertake to raise the amount asked
of them. If our association fails to raise the amount
asked of us, it will probably mean that there will be a
deficit on the work of our Foreign Mission Board. In
deciding on a basis for our work, let us take this amount
as the minimum to be raised for foreign missions. Let
us seek, if possible, to go beyond that which is asked of
us, so as to make up for any other associations in our
State that might fall short. This is a day of marvelous
opportunities on our foreign mission fields. We must
gird ourselves for the greatest effort that we have ever
made. Let us start at once a great movement for for-
eign missions in our association and make it earnest,
strenuous and so pervasive that it will reach every
church and every member. Above all, let us be pro-
foundly prayerful.

We recommend - 1. That all of our people take and
read the Foreign Mission Journal and that someone in
each church be appointed to secure subscribers for the
Journal and also to write to the Foreign Mission Board
for tracts for free distribution.

2. That all of our churches earnestly consider the
question of raising our mission funds in a systematic
way so that the money can be sent forward all through
the year, thus saving interest on borrowed money and
furnishing the Board with a constant supply of contri-
butions for carrying on the work

The Report of Finance Committee by J. N. Dorrill.
Adopted.

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Report on Finance Committee

Your Finance Committee has examined the treasurers report and found it correct as stated we have received and paid over to the treasurer for minutes and clerks fees

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| | \$55.45 |
| For State Missions | 75.52 |
| " Home " | 33.20 |
| " Foreign " | 8.00 |
| Orphanage | 4 65 |
| Forwarded State Missions | 182.10 |
| " Home " | 198.90 |
| " Foreign " | 290.36 |
| " Orphanage " | 103.55 |
| Incidentals | 59.15 |
| Sunday Schools same by committee and same forwarded | 109.93 |
| Ministerial Education | 12.50 |
| Sustentation | 16.65 |
| Associational missions | 5 25 |
| Hospital | 13.15 |
| Poor | 3.15 |
| Other Objects | 150.80 |
| Total | 1322.31 |

The Report on Digest of letters was read by Y. A. Ward adopted.

Report on Digest of Letters

We your committee on Digest of letters beg to submit the following report. We find 22 churches represented.

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| Value of Church property | 12,820.00 |
| Increase in membership | 1 42 |
| Decrease in membership | |
| Total membership | 1, |

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| ssoc | Pastors Salary | 1,993.65 |
| aise | Visiting ministers | 282.40 |
| ll th | Missions | 765.48 |
| of th | Orphanage | 93.55 |
| aske | S. S. Expenses | 53.00 |
| lefic | Incidentals | 79.26 |
| leci | No. of S. S. Reported | 9 |
| as th | No. of Pupils | 4.60 |
| us se | Ministerial Education | 12.50 |
| us, s | Hospital | 10.15 |
| State | Ministerial Relief | 14.15 |
| oppo | Building and Repairing | 116.60 |
| gird | Minutes and clerk | 50.45 |
| mad | Other Objects | 8.60 |

Y. A. Ward
E. S. Douglas } Committee.

Resolutions, Resolved, 1st. That the clerk of this Association be allowed the usual amount of Fifteen dollars for his services.

Resolved, 2nd. That the thanks of this body be extended to this church and people of this community for their hospitality during the sitting of this body.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Rocky Point Baptist, on Friday, 10 a. m. before the 4th Sunday in Oct. 1914.

Rev. T. G. Ward, Moderator.

Rev. P. C. Barnett, Clerk.

11 a. m. It was thought best not to have the outdoor service. Rev. Jno. Thompson preached in the house from 1st Time 1:13 after which a cash collection for Orphanage was taken amounting to \$16.60.

Ordained Ministers

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| B. F. Odum | Bolatusha |
| A. M. Barnett | Carthage |
| P. C. Barnett | Carthage |
| W. P. Dorrill | Dossville |
| S. C. Eastham | Edinburg |
| G. W. Nutt | Lena |
| John Thompson | Lena |
| T. G. Ward | Lena |
| J. B. Anderson | Carthage |
| B. H. Weems | Lameta |
| R. C. Barham | Madden |

Licentiate

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| Louis Russell | Madden |
| A. M. Langston | Walnut Grove |

Committees for 1914

Foreign Missions, John Thompson ; Home Missions, Dr. J. W. W. Lyle ; State Missions, N. F. Wallace ; Christian Education, G. W. Nutt ; Publication, P. C. Barnett ; Prohibition, W. P. Dorrill ; Orphanage, E. D. Roberts ; Womans work, M. P. Hendrick ; Nomination, Y. A. Ward ; Ministerial Relief, C. A. Cox ; Baptist Hospital, B. F. Odum ; Sunday Schools, A. M. Barnett ; Querries and request, J. B. Anderson ; Digest of letters, W. L. Pearson.

Report of enrollment Committee.

Report of Enrollment Committee

Roll of churches and messengers and churches :

Bethel—J. A. Thomas, J. R. Scott.

Camden—B. G. Gernux, T. H. Gober, O. B. Thornton.

Carthage—J. L. McMillon, W. E. Martin, N. F. Wallace.

Cedar Grove—

Center Hill—J. B. Fulton, M. D. Allen, J. P. Parker, Jno. Edwards.

Cross Roads—

Damascus—J. B. Anderson, Louie Rushing.

Friendship—Rev. Jno. Thompson, Rev. T. G. Ward, J. W. W. Lyle, S. A. Moore, M. P. Hendrick.

Freeny—Warren Allen, Lloyd Joiner.

Good Hope L—G. W. Nutt, Joe Tucker, Dick Gilbert, R. H. Wiggins.

Good Hope M—D. C. Barrett, W. F. Barrett, J. A. McDonald, C. A. Cox, Chas. Young.

Hopewell—

Laurel Hill—

Lottville—

Mt. Carmel—W. F. Cooper, T. A. Turner.

Mt. Zion—J. L. Brantley, Wallis Thomas, Ernest Upton, G. E. Gunter, A. M. Thomas.

Midway—J. F. Edwards, J. W. Mayo.

New Hope—R. J. Grimes, J. K. Coleman.

New Providence—S. W. Waggoner, W. L. Pearson, W. L. Gross.

Pleasant Grove—J. W. B. Johnson, C. C. Thrasher.
 Pleasant Hill—
 Plymouth—
 Rocky Point—E. S. Douglas, E. K. Moore, E. J. Reid, W. P. Dorrill, W. M. Davis.
 Salem—Jno. Dorrill, Biddie Beauchamp, E. A. Sanders, J. D. Roberts.
 Springfield—S. M. Savil, Louis Russell.
 Standing Pine—H. C. Barnett, Leslie Barnett.
 Stump Bridge—
 Thomastown—R. J. Bell, S. S. Stanton, H. G. Williams, Duff Myrick.
 Tuscola—
 Wake Forest—Rev. B. F. Odum, J. J. Moore.
 Walnut Grove—Lynn Johnson, Ollie Jones.
 Reformation—

List of Our Dead

Sarah Blailock, Earl Ellington, Mrs. M. A. Wallace, Martha Mooney, E. P. Galier, J. E. Ayres, Emma Treadwell, Dora Scott, B. F. Cotten, Esmine Frazier, Ellen George, Daniel Majors, Olivia Bilbro, C. M. Franks, W. O. Owens, Francis Walls, M. A. Welsh, J. M. Barnett.

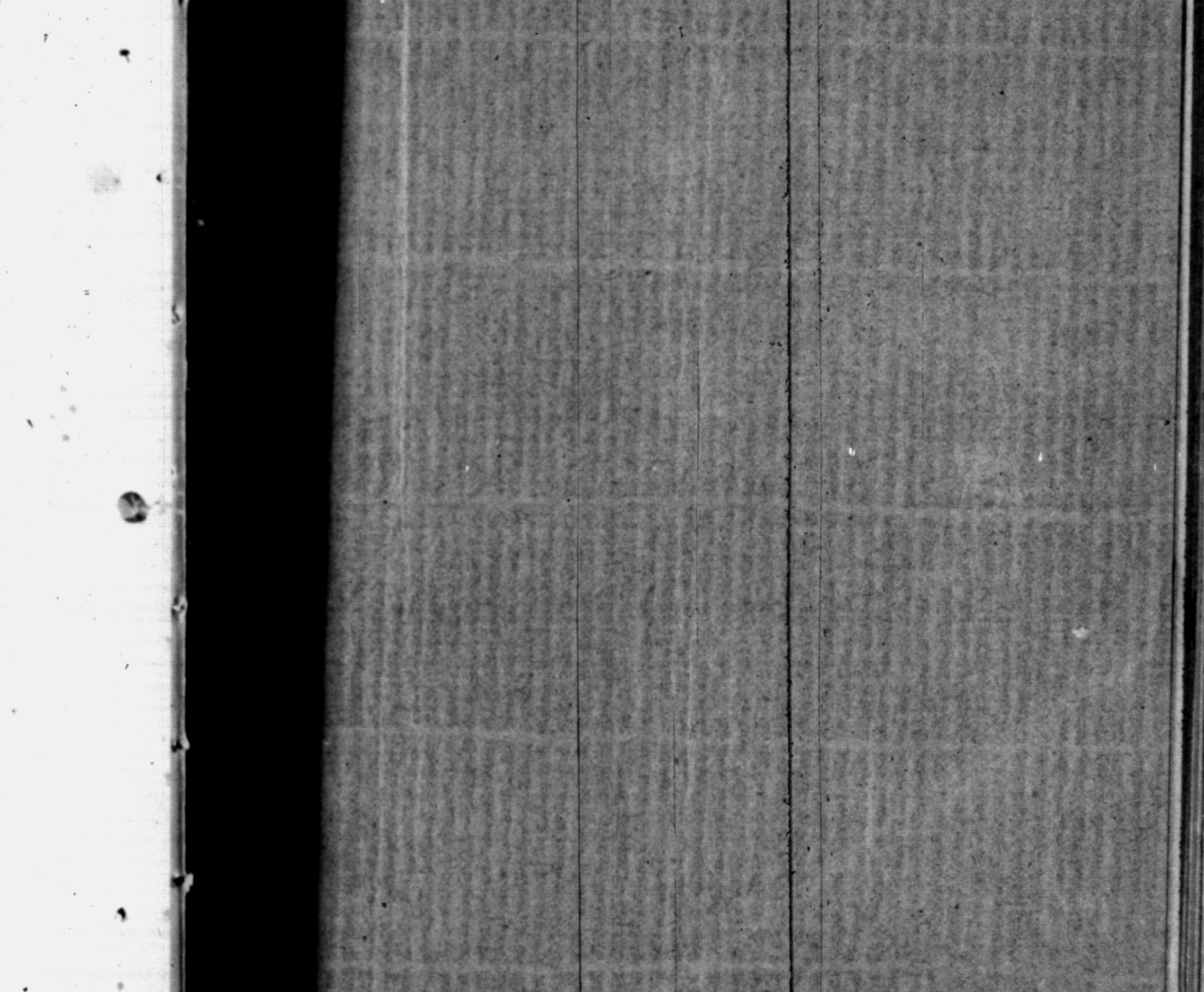
Treasurers Report

P. C. Barnett in account with Harmony Association
 Receipts 1912.
 Oct. 25, received of S. A. Moore, balance \$.25
 Oct. 26 cash collection for orphanage 7.55

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| Oct. 26, cash collection for Miss. College | 4.00 |
| Oct. 27, cash collection for Orphanage | 6.60 |
| Oct. 27, cash collection for Hospital | 2.32 |
| Oct. 27, received from finance Com. for Associa- tional purposes | 58.36 |
| Foreign Missions | 15 00 |
| Home Missions | 14.10 |
| State Missions | 112.24 |
| Orphanage | 5.18 |
| Associational Missions | 1.00 |
| Total Receipts | 226.63 |

DISBURSEMENTS

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| Oct. 26, paid Bryan Simmons Hospital | 2.35 |
| Oct. 26, paid J. G. Gilmore Miss. College | 4.00 |
| Nov. 2, paid A. V. Rowe for State Missions | 112.24 |
| A. V. Rowe for Foreign Missions | 15.00 |
| A. V. Rowe Home Missions | 14.10 |
| J. R. Carter for Orphanage | 19.48 |
| Printing and Mailing Minutes | 48.00 |
| Express charges and Postage | .90 |
| Paid G. N. Dorrill | 7.00 |
| Clerk fees | 15.00 |
| Total Disbursements | \$238.07 |
| Balance due clerk | 11.44 |



These amounts are sent by Messengers

These Amounts collected and sent during the year

| CHURCHES | Minutes and Clerk | Associational Missions | State Missions | Home Missions | Foreign Missions | Orphanage | Pastors Salary | Building and Repairing | Incidental | Visiting Ministers | S. S. Expense | State Missions | Home Missions | Foreign Missions | Other Objects | Orphanage | Colleges and Schools | Ministerial Education | Ministerial Relief | Hospital |
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| Camden | 2 50 | | 12 70 | 10 00 | | | 150 00 | 10 00 | 5 00 | 31 00 | 15 00 | | | 31 70 | | | | | | |
| Carthage | 2 50 | | 8 00 | 8 00 | 8 00 | | 400 00 | | 23 76 | 87 50 | 10 00 | | | | | | | | | |
| Cedar Grove | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 2 50 | | |
| Center Hill | 2 25 | | 4 00 | | | 3 15 | 38 65 | | | | | 8 22 | 7 18 | 8 15 | | 12 00 | | | | |
| Cross Roads | 1 00 | | | | | | 120 00 | | | | | 2 40 | | | | | | | | |
| Damascus | 1 50 | | 2 50 | | | | 500 00 | | 41 10 | 9 04 | 27 50 | 38 20 | 59 20 | 94 90 | 141 00 | 5 50 | | | 5 65 | |
| Friendship | 4 00 | | | | | | 75 00 | 40 00 | 2 00 | 15 00 | 3 00 | 5 05 | 3 05 | 6 15 | 4 00 | 40 00 | 1 00 | 2 50 | 2 00 | |
| Freeny | 3 00 | | | 50 | | | 125 00 | 45 00 | | | | | 4 00 | 4 00 | | 4 00 | | 7 50 | 4 00 | |
| Good Hope (M) | 3 25 | | 11 32 | | | | 40 00 | | | 26 30 | 4 00 | | 9 00 | 10 00 | | | | | | |
| Good Hope (L) | 5 00 | | 10 00 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Lottville | | 75 | | | | | 100 00 | | | | | 4 00 | | | | | | | | |
| Mt. Carmel | 5 00 | | | | | | 100 00 | | | | | 31 50 | 28 50 | 30 00 | | 25 00 | | | | |
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| Pleasant Hill | 3 00 | | 5 00 | | | | | | | 16 00 | | | 3 50 | 4 00 | | 1 00 | 2 50 | 2 50 | | |
| Plymouth | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rocky Point | 2 50 | 2 25 | | | | | | | 7 55 | | | 7 65 | 3 90 | 3 90 | | 18 40 | | | | |
| Salem | 3 15 | | 1 25 | | | | 50 00 | 12 50 | | 4 50 | | | | | | | | 2 50 | 4 00 | |
| Pleasant Grove | 1 00 | | | 1 25 | | 1 50 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stump Bridge | 2 05 | | 2 95 | 2 95 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Standing Pine | 2 00 | | | | | | 75 00 | | | | 7 00 | 13 00 | 11 00 | 17 00 | | 3 00 | | | | |
| Springfield | 1 50 | | | | | | 50 00 | | | | | 13 00 | 4 00 | 6 50 | | | | | | 2 50 |
| Tuscola | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Wake Forest | 1 00 | | 1 00 | | | | | | | | | | 2 50 | 2 50 | | | | | | |
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| CHURCHES | Pastors | Post office | Clerk | Post office | Increase Decrease | | Minutes Wanted |
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| Bethel | | | J. A. Thomas | Dossville | 2 | 4 | |
| Camden | J. T. Ellis | Goodman | J. W. McKay | Camden | | 3 | 18 |
| Carthage | John Thompson | Lena | N. F. Wallace | Carthage | 9 | 1 | 20 |
| Cedar Grove | | | | | | | |
| Center Hill | B. F. Odum | Bolatusha | J. D. Pope | Conway | 2 | 1 | 97 |
| Cross Roads | J. G. Gilmore | Clinton | W. B. Hooper | Lena | 6 | | 8 |
| Damascus | B. F. Odum | Bolatusha | Esther Rushing | Carthage | 3 | 2 | 21 |
| Friendship | Jno. Thompson | Lena | M. P. Hendrick | Lena | 4 | 7 | 20 |
| Freeny | T. G. Ward | Lena | Ollie Grice | Carthage | 10 | 6 | 20 |
| Good Hope (M) | J. T. Ellis | Goodman | R. S. Barrett | Camden | 1 | 3 | 30 |
| Good Hope (L) | G. W. Nutt | Lena | R. H. Wiggins | Lena | 3 | | 20 |
| Laurel Hill | | | | | | | |
| Lottville | J. G. Gilmore | Clinton | J. T. Norman | Millville | | | 47 |
| Mt. Carmel | J. W. Steen | Philadelphia | Y. A. Ward | Edinburg | 1 | 1 | 20 |
| Mt. Zion | A. M. Barnett | Carthage | G. E. Gunter | Madden | 6 | | 120 |
| Midway | | | | | | | |
| New Hope | W. S. Ford | Harperville | Floyd Young | Estes Mill | | 1 | 6 |
| New Providence | T. G. Ward | Lena | J. E. Gross | Conway | 6 | 1 | 65 |
| Pleasant Hill | G. W. Nutt | Lena | L. J. Grimes | Estes Mill | | 2 | 59 |
| Plymouth | | | | | | | |
| Pleasant Grove | B. F. Odum | Bolatusha | Byron Davis | Dossville | | | 226 |
| Rocky Point | B. E. Phillips | Clinton | W. M. Davis | Dossville | 13 | 9 | 109 |
| Salem | S. C. Eastham | Edinburg | J. D. Roberts | Center | 3 | 1 | 88 |
| Stump Bridge | J. E. Williams | Learned | A. B. Coleman | anton | | 1 | 16 |
| Standing Pine | P. C. Barnett | Carthage | B. J. Barnett | Lena | 3 | 1 | 70 |
| Springfield | T. G. Ward | Lena | B. E. Risher | Carthage | 15 | 4 | 79 |
| Tuscola | | | | | | | |
| Thomastown | J. P. Neil | Ethel | H. G. Williams | Bolatusha | 4 | 2 | 103 |
| Wake Forest | B. F. Odum | Bolatusha | J. J. Moore | Bolatusha | 1 | 1 | 9 |
| Walnut Grove | P. M. Jones | Harperville | J. L. Parker | Walnut Grove | | | 54 |
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